

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

CARLOS A. GARCIA-PEREZ ET AL
Plaintiffs

v.

ALVARO SANTAELLA ET AL
Defendants

Civil No. 97-1703(JAG)

SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE REPORT AND ORDER

Further settlement sessions were held on March 22, 2005 and April 5, 2005 (with all attorneys participating at the same). Factual and legal scenario were discussed at separate sessions with plaintiffs and defendants. Settlement demands and offers were exchanged.

It was agreed that defendants' experts will be announced and compliance with initial disclosure under Rule 26 will be accomplished by April 29, 2005. These reports are due on June 30, 2005.

Plaintiffs will be restructuring their pending motion (in limine) by April 5, 2005. Attorneys Roberto Ruiz-Comas and Jeannette López de Victoria will be responding to the pending dispositive motion by April 29, 2005.

The following deposition schedule was agreed to at the March 22, 2005 conference:

Dr. Adel Vargas - June 13, 2005
Dr. De la Vega - November 7, 2004
Dr. Eduardo Ochoa - November 8, 2005
Dr. Edwin Soto - November 9, 2005
Dr. Roberto Sosa - November 10, 2005
Dr. Martín de Pumayo - November 11, 2005
Dr. José Adams - November 21, 2005
Dr. Fred Gardner - November 22, 2005
Plaintiffs' Special Care/Damages Experts - November 28-29, 2005
Defendants' Special Care/Damages Experts - November 30-December 1, 2005

The Joint Pretrial Memorandum is to be filed by December 9, 2005. The parties agreed to meet on December 6, 2005, at 2:00 PM, at the law office of Attorney Andres Guillermand.

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The parties will be ready for trial by January 10, 2006.

At the April 5, 2005 settlement session, Attorney Carlos García-Pérez, the plaintiff herein, while represented by Attorney Ricardo Rodríguez, actively participated at the settlement conversations. There was movement from the parties' original postures. Settlement demands were more concisely identified and discussed with attorneys for defendants. The parties will continue informal settlement conversations and will report promptly if settlement materializes.

A Final Settlement Conference is set for May 2, 2005, at 5:00 PM.

SO ORDERED.

At San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 22nd day of April, 2005.

S/AIDA M. DELGADO-COLON
U.S. Magistrate-Judge